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For: GROWTH DIFFERENTIATION FACTOR-9

REGULATORY SEQUENCES AND USES

THEREFOR

Examiner: Qian, Celine X.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed June 16, 2004 (Paper No. 0604). Applicants believe that no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 12-0080, under Order No. MTN-029US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Please amend the above identified application as follows.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins at page 2 of this communication.

Remarks/Arguments begin at page 5 of this communication.

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Docket No. TRANSMITTAL LETTER MTN-029US Filing Date Examiner Art Unit July 15, 2002 Qian, Celine X. 1636 Applicant(s): Martin Mathew MATZUK et al. GROWTH DIFFERENTIATION FACTOR-9 REGULATORY SEQUENCES AND USES Invention: THEREFOR TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims Highest Number Number Remaining Previously **Extra Claims** After Amendment Paid Present Rate **Total Claims** 28 31 0.00 Х Independent 6 7 0.00 Х Claims Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Х 0.00 Other fee (please specify): TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: 0.00 Large Entity x Small Entity x No additional fee is required for this amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. 12-0080 X The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. x Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. Dated: July 16, 2004 Jeanne M. DiGiorgio Attorney Reg. No.: LAHIVE & COCKFIELD, LLP 28 State Street Boston, Massachusetts 02109 (617) 227-7400

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